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THE QUESTION OF ASIATIC EMIGRATION.

Interesting Inter-Debate.

There was a very large attendance at the Y.M.C.A. on Tuesday evening when a very interesting inter-debate took place between the Union Church Literary Club and the Y.M.C.A. Debating Society, on the subject that the action of the self-governing colonies in excluding Asiatics did not meet with their approval. Mr. Joughin opened for the Union Church Literary Club and was supported by Messrs. Brown, August, and Wells. Captain F. A. Brown led the Y.M.C.A. speakers who comprised Messrs E. B. Cobby, Naim and R. A. Lowery. The debate was listened to with the greatest interest and at the close Mr. G. G. Burnett, who occupied the chair, announced that in the voting the decision was in favour of the Y.M.C.A.

THE ALASKA-YUKON PACIFIC EXPOSITION.

There is to open at Seattle, U.S.A., on June 12th and continue to October 10th, the Alaska-Yukon Pacific Exposition. It will be a great world's fair, and in order that the world may know that which it does not know of the Philippine Islands, the Hawaiian Islands and Alaska, the wonder-land of the Arctic, the United States Government is spending \$800,000 upon exhibits that no other world's exposition has ever presented. The Government is erecting four magnificent buildings of steel, which will cost not less than \$350,000. One of these will house the Philippine exhibits; another the Hawaiian, another the Alaskan and the fourth will be devoted to demonstrating the extent and possibilities of the fisheries of Puget Sound and the Alaskan coast.

Japan is naturally taking a great interest in the show and besides its magnificent exhibit, or better, exhibits, for there are many kinds, is contributing largely to the floral display. It will reproduce on the exposition ground the tea houses in Tokyo in which Admiral Sperry and his officers were entertained when the American armada sailed into Yokohama to visit the land of the Rising Sun. Not only will it be the same tea house, but the same dainty geishas who served tea to the American officers, will serve more tea to those who come to the exposition. A Japanese theatre, with one of the leading troupes of Nippon, will be another feature and there will be an array of Japanese manufactures and products such as has never been shown at any exposition.

China is planning and already doing as much as Japan. The Celestial Empire will also establish a theatre and a tea house and it will have also a full fledged Chinese village, with its joss houses, restaurants, bazaars and all else that will make the exhibit true to life.

In connection with the above it is interesting to note that the Great Northern s.s. Co.'s Minnesota and the steamers of the N.Y.K. American line are the only direct services to Seattle. The Minnesota, sailing from Yokohama on May 21st, will arrive at Seattle on June 4th, four days after the opening of the Exposition.

A bill has been introduced into the New York State Legislature at Albany embodying a recommendation to Congress that the present Great Northern New York and Long Island should be converted into a new State to be known as the State of Manhattan. The grounds for this application are partly those of population; it is pointed out that the present population of the State is nearly nine millions, or four millions more than the next most populous State, which is Pennsylvania. It is also contended that the special interests of New York run counter to those of the present State as a whole and would be better served by the plan suggested.

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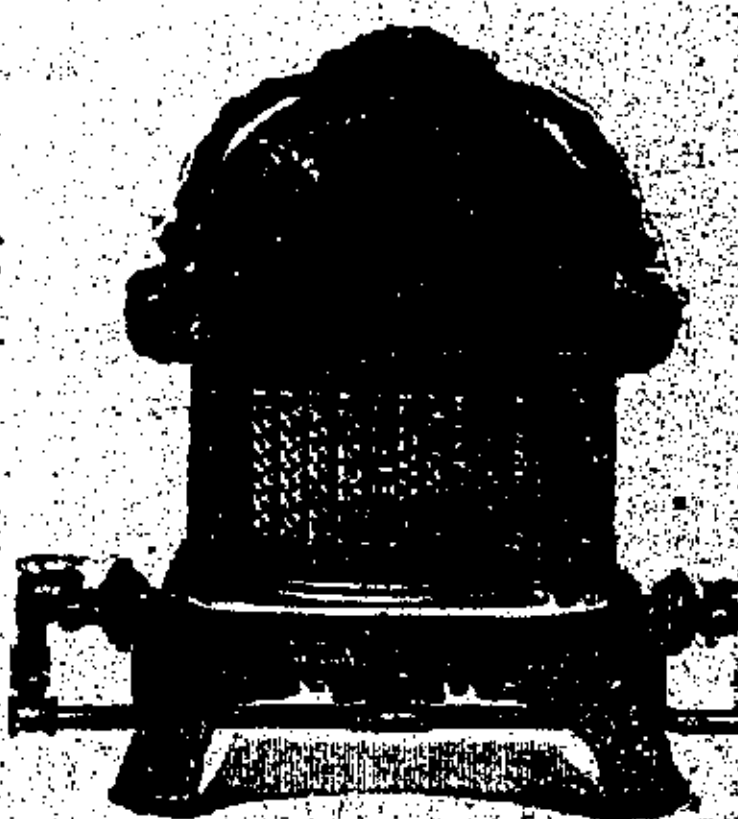
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A TOKYO LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Tokyo, March 5th.
The death of Mr. James Walter, who has
been so long and honourably connected
with Japan, has cast a gloom over the
foreign community, although the sad end
had long been expected. On recovery from
an accident over a twelvemonth ago Mr.
Walter was advised to take a trip home for
his health, and while in Europe took the
opportunity to consult specialists as to the
condition of his throat, which had long
been giving him cause for anxiety. The
trouble was diagnosed as cancer, and
little hope was held out of any but
alleviative treatment. Mr. Walter at
once determined to return to Japan to
spend his last days in the country with
which he had been so long associated.
News of the terrible disease by which he
had been attacked preceded him and called
forth many expressions of sympathy. Up
to the last Mr. Walter retained his interest
in public affairs, one of his latest concerns
being the reorganisation of the old Public
Hall Company at Yokohama into the new
Gaiety Theatre Co. On his deathbed Mr.
Walter was in receipt of an honour
from His Majesty the Emperor of
Japan. On the news of his serious
illness reaching the Throne his Majesty
was pleased to bestow on him the fifth-
class of the Order of the Sacred Treasure.
The funeral took place on Saturday, practi-
cally the whole of the foreign community
of Yokohama and Tokyo, irrespective of
rank and nationality, attending. The chief
mourner was Mr. Walter, Jun., son of the
deceased, who walked side by side with Sir
Claude MacDonald, the British Ambassa-
dor, in the funeral cortege. The pall-
bearers included the British Consul-General
and those who had been the nearest and
dearest friends of the deceased. Mr. Walter,
it may be added, took a great interest in
Japanese affairs, and was the discoverer of
the tomb of the famous Elizabethan seaman,
Will Adams.

The depression in Japan's trade, which
has now lasted some two years, shows no
signs of lifting. Indeed, the gloomy pros-
pects have been deepened lately by the
disordered condition of affairs—to put it
mildly—of some Japanese companies. The
chief of these is the Dai Nippon Sugar
Refining Company, a concern which had
been regarded as of the highest stability,
but which now appears to have been
grossly mismanaged. In the days of its
highest prosperity the company has
been known to pay a dividend of 40 per
cent., and it is now feared that these
high dividends were only paid at the
expense of the stability of the concern.
It is hardly probable that the company will
be allowed to go into bankruptcy, but the
difficulties in the way of any real adjustment
of its affairs are very great. The exact
amount of the liabilities is stated by the
auditor of the company to be 9,792,000
yen, 4,000,000 of which are taxes in
arrear. How these liabilities were incurred
is uncertain, but it is probable the
company was trading on the prospects of
a revival of trade which has failed to
materialize. The godowns are filled with
sugar, Mr. Sakurai, the Director of the
Revenue Bureau, recently stating in the
Diet that the quantity of sugar in stock
upon which the tax could not be imposed
was estimated at 150,000,000 kin. That
proper provision has not been made for
future contingencies in the affairs of the
company is certain, but it is doubtful
whether any charge of malversation can be
brought against the directors, although
some of the vernacular papers boldly
allege fraudulent practices.

Naturally the trouble in the affairs of
this, the largest sugar refining company in
Japan, has directly affected the other sugar
refining companies and indirectly injured
Japan's credit in other directions. The
share market, which showed some signs of
activity before the disclosures were made,
has again taken a downward plunge, and
there seems little prospect of relief. Un-
doubtedly a part of the depression is to
be attributed to the fall in prices of
certain of Japan's staples, such as cop-
per and silk, but there is an undercurrent
of distrust which prevents any active
operations. The foreign mercantile houses
have also felt the strain, the more cautious
of them having suspended business almost
entirely, orders even from regular customers
being refused. The more incautious, how-
ever, have indulged in what must be con-
sidered as more or less speculative business,
and many have burned their fingers
severely. Meanwhile the heavy war taxes
continue, and considering that Japan's
latest Budget has the novelty of being the
first since the war wherein the revenue and
expenditure are brought into agreement
without adventurous aid, such as loans,
etc., it may be concluded the war taxes
have come to stay. They undoubtedly
create much discontent, but in the phrase
of the country it is a case of "Shikata ga
nai," or "can't be helped." It may be noted,
however, that at the joint conference of the
Japanese Chambers of Commerce, held in
Tokyo on the 16th inst., strong complaints
were made as to the heavy burden of taxa-
tion and a memorial for presentation to the
Government was adopted in which not
only the perpetuation of the war taxes is
severely condemned, but also the methods
of collection, which are described as
exemplary. Mr. W. H. R. Peck, long the
Commissioner of Trade for the Dominion
of Canada, who recently stated in the
National Review that there was "no annex-
or dissatisfaction over the war taxes in
Japan," evidently spoke without his heart.

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FRIDAY, the 19th March, 1909.
Bettors of Debentures are invited to
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By Order,
JAMES CRAIK,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 9, 1909.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LTD.**NOTICE.**

THE THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING of the Share-
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HEDLEY G. WHITE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 13, 1909.

NOTICE OF IMPERIAL CHINESE

TELEGRAPH ADMINISTRATION.

LOCAL AGENCY FOR THE ISSUE OF
RAILWAY REDEMPTION BONDS.

WE beg to inform the Public that we
have received the following despatch
from the Board of Communications:

The Board has a scheme in hand for the
redemption of the Peking-Hankow Railway
by issuing public bonds to the amount of
ten million dollars which has been approved
by the throne. Bonds can be taken up
from the 10th of February. In order to
induce the public to take them up every-
where it has been decided to appoint an
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perial Chinese Telegraph Administration of
Hongkong, as Agent in Hongkong to issue
such bonds. The necessary forms will be
forwarded to him as soon as their audit
numbers are ascertained. In the mean time
the said Tsoai will attend to this matter
according to the following regulations:

It is hereby notified that the Bonds are
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bonds will bear an annual interest of 7%
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THE QUESTION OF ASIATIC EMIGRATION.

Interesting Inter-Debate.

There was very large attendance at the Y.M.C.A. on Tuesday evening when a very interesting inter-debate took place between the Union Church Literary Club and the Y.M.C.A. Debating Society, on the subject of the action of the self-governing colonies in excluding Asiatics did not meet with their approval. Mr. Joughin opened for the Union Church Literary Club and was supported by Messrs. Brown, Acock, and Wells. Captain F. A. Brown led the Y.M.C.A. speakers who comprised Messrs. E. B. Cuby, Naim and R. A. Lowery. The debate was listened to with the greatest interest and at the close Mr. G. G. Burnett, who occupied the chair, announced that in the voting the decision was in favour of the Y.M.C.A.

THE ALASKA-YUKON PACIFIC EXPOSITION.

There is to open at Seattle, U.S.A., on June 12th and continue to October 16th, the Alaska-Yukon Pacific Exposition. It will be a great world's fair, and in order that the world may know that which it does not know of the Philippine Islands, the Hawaiian Islands and Alaska, the wonderland of the Arctic, the United States Government is spending \$600,000 upon exhibits that no other world's exposition has ever presented. The Government is erecting four magnificent buildings of steel, which will cost not less than \$250,000. One of these will house the Philippine exhibits; another the Hawaiian, another the Alaskan and the fourth will be devoted to demonstrating the extent and possibilities of the fisheries of Puget Sound and the Alaskan coast.

Japan is naturally taking a great interest in the show and besides its magnificent exhibit, or better, exhibits, for there are many kinds, is contributing largely to the exposition ground the tea house in Tokyo in which Admiral Sperry and his officers were entertained when the American armada sailed into Yokohama to visit the land of the Rising Sun. Not only will it be the same tea house, but the same dainty gishes who served tea to the American officers, will serve more tea to those who come to the exposition. A Japanese theatre, with one of the leading troupes of Nippon, will be another feature and there will be an array of Japanese manufactures and products such as has never been shown at any exposition.

China is planning and already doing as much as is Japan. The Celestial Empire will also establish a theatre and a tea house and it will have also a full fledged Chinese village, with its joss houses, restaurants, bazaars and all else that will make the exhibit true to life.

In connection with the above it is interesting to note that the Great Northern & Co.'s Minnesota and the steamers of the N.Y.K. American line are the only direct service to Seattle. The Minnesota, sailing from Yokohama on May 21st, will arrive at Seattle on June 4th, four days after the opening of the Exposition.

A bill has been introduced into the New York State Legislature at Albany embodying a recommendation to Congress that the present Greater New York and Long Island should be converted into a new State to be known as the State of Manhattan. The grounds for this application are, partly those of population; it is pointed out that the present population of the State is nearly nine millions, or four millions more than the most populous State, which is Pennsylvania. It is also contended that the special interests of New York run counter to those of the present State as a whole and would be better served by the plan suggested.

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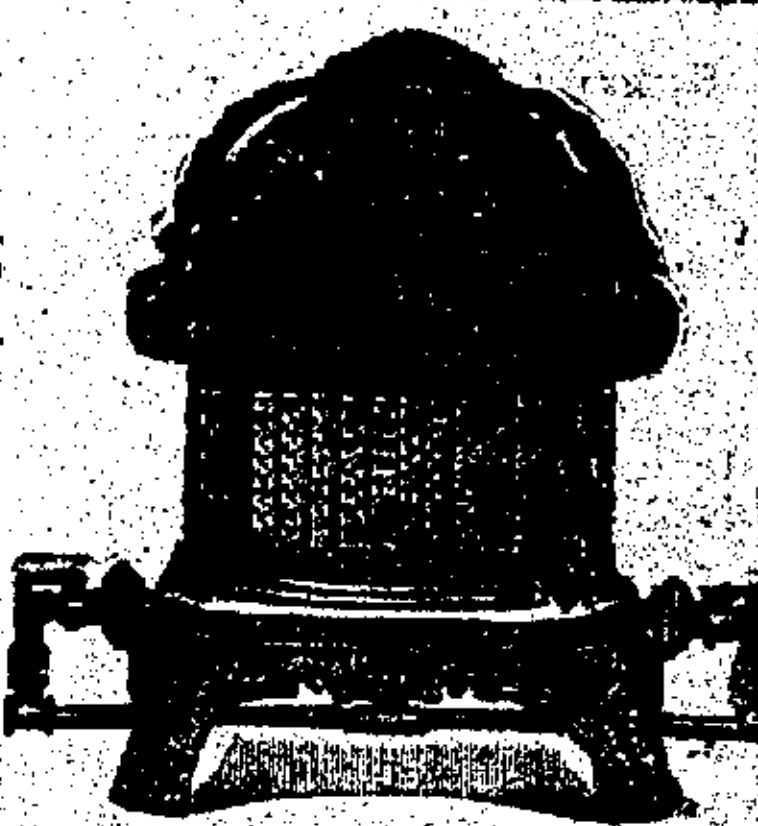
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THE NAVAL ESTIMATES.

BRITAIN'S ENORMOUS TASK.

What is Germany Doing?

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London, March 17.
The Prince of Wales and other distinguished visitors were present in the House of Commons when Mr. McKenna rose in a crowded house to introduce the Naval Estimates. Mr. McKenna said the safety of the country must be their paramount object, but the Government were faced with the difficulty that they did not know the rate whereat German construction was proceeding. The construction of extra Broadboughts depended upon the output of the German yards for we cannot risk any falling behind in Dreadnought building.

Mr. Balfour said the condition of the Navy was a national danger. Great Britain in December, 1910, would have ten Dreadnoughts, while Germany would probably have thirteen. By 1912 the proportion would be twenty to twenty-five or at least twenty to twenty-one.

AUSTRIA AND SERBIA.

A PLAIN ANSWER REQUIRED.

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London, March 17.
Austria, who regards the last Serbian Note as evasive and almost impertinent, will send an answer demanding specific promises of peaceful intentions.

POSTAL SCHOOLS TO BE OPENED.

(Wah Tse Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, March 16.
The Board of Communications intend to establish Telegraph and Postal Colleges in Kiangsu, Hupeh, Fuhkien, and Chekiang.

MODEL PARLIAMENT HOUSE.

(Wah Tse Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, March 16.
The Constitutional Administration Department of Peking has telegraphed to Lord Li King-fang, Chinese Minister at London, to obtain copies of the plan of the English House of Lords, the idea being to build a similar Parliament House on the site now occupied by the Metropolitan Examination Hall.

NEW TREATY PORT.

(Wah Tse Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, March 16.
The Board of Foreign Affairs has submitted a memorial to the Throne urging that Hoichow, in Chekiang, be opened as a treaty port.

IMPERIAL CHINESE BANK NOTES.

(Wah Tse Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, March 16.
The Board of Finance has notified all Viceroy and Governors that in all the Provinces the banknotes issued by the Imperial Chinese Bank are to be accepted in payment of taxes.

HOW TO SECURE RECRUITS.

(Wah Tse Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, March 16.
The Peking Government has telegraphed to all the Chinese Ministers abroad that they are to inquire into the system of recruiting pursued by the various countries to which they are accredited.

SPORTING.

Tennis.

In connection with the tennis championship on the Hong Kong Cricket Club's course the following matches have been played:
Championship Event (five sets).
H. Hackett v. Dr. G. S. Aubrey, 6-3, 6-0, 7-5.
Capt. Bradley v. Comdr. Walter, R.N., 6-2, 6-4, 2-6, 8-1.

Luncheon Athletic Sports.

Under the auspices of the Luncheon Athletic Club the annual athletic sports are to be held on the Race Course, by kind permission of the stewards of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, on Monday, March 22. The list of sports includes a 100 yds. race.

SANITARY BOARD.

Mr. R. O. Hutcheson presided over a meeting of the Sanitary Board on Tuesday afternoon, and there were present Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, O.M.G., Colonel Bedford, Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett, Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving, Mr. A. Shelton Hooper, Dr. G. H. L. Fitzwilliams, Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Dr. F. Olrik, Medical Officer of Health and Mr. A. Gibson, secretary.

The Scavenging Contractor.

Dr. Fitzwilliams, Assistant Medical Officer of Health, reported that he had made an inspection of the boats used by the scavenging contractor for Tim Tsau. He recommended that four of the boats be not accepted and that boats up to the standard size be required. All boats should be decked. If the boat had no deck it was piled up with rubbish which in all probability was thrown into the harbour at the earliest opportunity. As it was only the beginning of quite a long contract he considered it would be reasonable to ask that the boats be brought nearer to contract requirements as they were sure to get lost as time went on through accidents, etc.

Mr. Hooper inquired—I quite agree with the Assistant Medical Officer of Health. Dr. Fitzwilliams inquired—I think the conditions of the contract should be insisted upon and that if the total number of boats supplied does not give the necessary picture this must be made up by an increased number of boats, it being rather an advantage to increase the number than the size of the boats owing to the depth of water at low tide.

The President proposed that the contractor be told that he has got to provide boats up to the full picture, and to have those boats decked as recommended by the Assistant Medical Officer of Health.

Mr. Shelton Hooper seconded, and the contractor was called before the Board and informed of the decision arrived at.

Nomination of Mr. Lau Chu Pak.

A letter was read from the Government, notifying the Board of the re-nomination of Mr. Lau Chu Pak to the Sanitary Board. The President stated that the whole Board were very pleased that Mr. Lau had consented to be re-nominated, as he was an acquisition to the Board and a useful member, not only on account of the work done at Board meetings, but also outside (Applause).

Mr. Shelton Hooper—What about his colleague?

The President—At the moment I have no further information regarding the filling of the other vacancy, but I think it will be filled very soon.

The Exhumation of Bodies.

Mr. A. Shelton Hooper asked if the Board had any further information from the Government with regard to the granting of permits for the exhumation of bodies.

The President—I have no further information than is given in this letter. I understand they are taking steps.

Mr. Shelton Hooper—I think the Government should be asked to submit for our consideration any amendment of the law before it is introduced. We might be able to make suggestions.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak—In the meantime the Chinese are suffering great inconvenience. They are constantly sending up for permits for exhumation which nobody can grant.

Mr. Shelton Hooper—That is the unfortunate state of the law.

Dr. Clark—If nobody can give permits anybody can give permits.

Mr. Hooper—No, I am advised that to remove a body without a permit is a misdemeanour.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak—Pending the decision of the Government I move the appointment of a sub-committee to issue permits.

Mr. Shelton Hooper—You can't.

Hon. Mr. Hewett—Nobody in the Colony has power to issue permits.

Hon. Mr. Irving—We may point out to the Government that this is causing inconvenience to the Chinese.

The President—I think the Government understands that.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak moved and Dr. Fitzwilliams seconded, and it was agreed that the Government be asked to take urgent steps in the matter.

Sanitary Department Discipline.

A letter was read from the Hon. Colonial Secretary as follows:—

Sir, I am directed to inform you that Mr. Shelton Hooper's minute on the subject of the method of dealing with complaints by the public against officers of the Sanitary Department has been laid before the Governor. His Excellency desires me to point out that the rules under which any offences or dereliction of duty by any Government officer of whatever grade or standing are laid down in Colonial Regulations 49.73 and it is not within the discretion of the Government to act otherwise than in accordance with those regulations. There is no exceptional treatment in the Sanitary Department, the officers of which, like those of any other department, are subject to the rules of the service. As I informed you, however, in my letter of 9th ult. His Excellency desires that the Board should be fully informed of any action taken by the Head of the Department and should have the fullest opportunity of expressing their views and of making any recommendations to the Government.

Mr. Shelton Hooper inquired—I regret very much that His Excellency's decision does not approve of the suggestion set out in my minute which contained nothing inconsistent with the Colonial Office Regulations.

Mr. Hooper—I wish particularly to emphasize that minute Sir. I have looked at the Colonial Office Regulations and there is nothing at all inconsistent with what I suggested in my minute. I particularly abstained from wishing either to support or disavow any officer, and the regulations applied only to deal with that.

THE AFFAIRS OF D. R. CAPTAIN AND CO.

The public examination of D. R. Captain, trading as D. R. Captain and Co., was conducted in the Supreme Court, before the Chief Justice (Sir F. Pigott), to-day.

Debtor, replying to the Official Receiver, said he was proprietor of Messrs D. R. Captain and Co., wine and provision dealers. He started the business in January, 1905, buying it for \$10,000, of which \$5,000 was paid in cash and the remainder to be paid in monthly instalments of \$250. He was previously manager in the business. When he bought the business over he took in Mr. B. N. Cooper as partner, he having paid down \$3000 for a half share. The profits of the business were small, but he bought it over from the executor of a widow and wanted to help them. He should think the business was then making \$800 or \$900 a year, but since he took it over the profits had been smaller on account of the severe competition in Hongkong. He had lost about \$1500 in silk transactions, and was also embroiled of about \$3000 by an assistant.

The Official Receiver—Is it not a fact that you have been living an extravagant life?

Debtor—I don't think so.

Mr. Holbrow, who appeared for a creditor, said debtor admitted having bought goods in 1908 to the value of \$12,000 and now he estimated his goods valued at \$4,000. Where were the goods now?

Debtor—They were not bought all in one year, but there is also a balance left from the previous year.

Mr. C. F. Dixon, for debtor, said there was about \$8,000 in bank debts. The goods had been sold and the debts were entered in the books.

Mr. E. J. Grist suggested that the case should be adjourned and debtor ordered in the meantime to file a deficiency account to show what had become of the goods.

His Lordship agreed, and the order was made.

Mr. Dixon said he intended to apply for adjudication that day. The reason was that the Official Receiver wished to sell the business as a going concern and at the present time he was not in a position to accept tenders for the concern. The consequence was that the business was suffering.

Mr. Holbrow said he did not object, and Mr. Grist said he was obviously not to compromise in the present state of the accounts.

The application for adjudication was granted.

CORRESPONDENCE.

HONGKONG REGATTA.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")

Sir—I have read with much interest the letter by "Fair Sport" which appeared in the columns of your paper, and must say that his outspoken criticisms are endorsed by a large number of sportsmen in Hongkong.

I conscientiously believe that rowers should be placed on even terms, thus giving all an equal chance of securing a victory. Moreover, in fairness to them, a good opportunity will be afforded spectators of witnessing a competition of prowess when all things are equal.

At one of the meetings of the Hongkong Regatta Committee held recently, it was proposed and carried by a majority of 7 to 1, so I believe, that all four-oared events at the forthcoming Regatta be competed in the same class of boats. The decision was received with much interest by all broad-minded sportsmen and endorsed by them as affording the one opportunity for competition upon terms of equality.

The decision which called forth such favourable comments was reversed at a subsequent meeting when some of the members of the Committee were not present. It looks as if the subsequent decision, which overrules the popular original finding, is to hold good.

With your permission I would like to ask the sporting public to judge for themselves if it is fair to accord the chances of one class rowing in a far superior boat when such a boat is only owned by one rowing club in the colony and available to its members only, practically thus penalising the members of the other clubs?

Mr. Hooper—No, I am advised that to remove a body without a permit is a misdemeanour.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak—Pending the decision of the Government I move the appointment of a sub-committee to issue permits.

Mr. Shelton Hooper—You can't.

Hon. Mr. Hewett—Nobody in the Colony has power to issue permits.

Hon. Mr. Irving—We may point out to the Government that this is causing inconvenience to the Chinese.

The President—I think the Government understands that.

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Messrs Shawan, Tomes and Co., have received a telegram stating that, at the next general meeting, the Directors of the above Company will recommend a dividend of 25% on the year's working.

ALLEGED CONTEMPT OF COURT.

Official Receiver Complains.

The Chief Justice (Sir Francis Pigott) at the Supreme Court to-day, sitting in bankruptcy jurisdiction, heard an application by Mr. S. Dixon for the revocation of a receiving order in the case of the Kwong Yee Cheung Firm.

His Lordship—Are all the creditors consenting?

Mr. Dixon—Yes, my lord.

His Lordship—What does the Official Receiver say?

The Official Receiver (Mr. Wakeman)—I have not yet had an opportunity of considering this. The affidavit was only filed yesterday.

His Lordship—Well, perhaps it had better stand over, and I will make the order in chambers if the Official Receiver agrees.

The Official Receiver—I should like to call attention to this bankruptcy. The first meeting of creditors was called and bankruptcy was served with a notice to attend, but he has not taken any notice of it. In fact, he has already committed contempt of court twice. I ask your Lordship to have him brought here.

Mr. Dixon—The reason, my lord, is that the case is in process of being settled.

The Official Receiver—But he is practically defying the Court, my lord.

Mr. E. J. Grist—I appear for a large number of creditors, my lord, and I have no doubt that the man would be quite ready and willing to come here if necessary, but the matter has been in course of settlement ever since it started. There are no creditors at all. Every one of these creditors is a partner in the firm. It is simply a matter of arrangement between the partners of the firm.

His Lordship—Still, that does not exempt him.

Mr. Grist—I do not think he understands, my lord.

The Official Receiver—He was served with notice in English and Chinese and must have understood. It is impossible for me to carry out my duties as Official Receiver if I am defied like this.

The application was eventually adjourned until next bankruptcy day.

DEPORTING CHINESE REBELS FROM TONKIN.

Treaty Between France and China.

Last year, the French authorities in Tonkin had no end of trouble from Chinese revolutionaries who, on the failure of outbreaks in Kwangsi and Yunnan, had taken refuge in French territory, and sought means of livelihood by brigandage. So many of these outlaws fell into the hands of the Colonial authorities that numbers of them had to be got rid of by deportation to Singapore. Difficulties continually arose on the frontier owing to the Chinese pursuing forces having to pull themselves up on the fleeing revolutionaries crossing the boundary line.

SENTENCE.

How to mend matters, which had become worse by Chinese residents in Tonkin sympathizing with the revolutionaries, occupied long parleying between the French and Chinese Governments.

An agreement, a telegraph newspaper, says that the negotiations have resulted in a treaty, a copy of which has been sent to the Governor General of Indo-China. This agreement, set out in five articles, is expected to prevent further frontier troubles with revolutionaries.

Under article 2, the French authorities undertake to put down sharply every kind of revolutionary and anti-dynastic agitation—especially as regards printed matter—directed against the Chinese Government, in Indo-China. The lawless actions will be deported or prosecuted. Newspapers offending will be suppressed.

Article 3 provides for the disarming and confinement of Chinese revolutionaries taking refuge in French territory. After a while, such revolutionaries will be deported from the Colony upon due notice of the fact being given to the Chinese Government.

Article 4 directs the surrender to the Chinese Government of all refugees criminals guilty of what the law of China considers to be brigandage or piracy. Should the criminals plead that they are political offenders, a searching inquiry will be made to prevent them from escaping punishment under this plea.

Under article 5, both Governments agree to stop the constant trade in arms on the frontier. It is confidently expected that the Chinese revolutionaries will take note of the treaty, and will forbear from passing into French territory, now that they know what is in store for them.

The Tonkin Government intends in short to stand no more nonsense from them. The moment Chinese revolutionaries or rebels set foot on French territory, the authorities will at once proceed to pursue and scatter them. The treaty explicitly sets forth that, failing advice from its own officials, the Indo-China Government will take action against refugees bands the moment the Chinese authorities notify the fact that they have crossed the frontier into Tonkin.—Straits Times.

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ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

For being on board the s.s. Lothian without permission, a native was fined \$25, at the Magistracy, to-day.

A fine of \$300 was imposed on a native, at the Magistracy, to-day, by Mr

His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

As usual the session of the Diet has been productive of a good deal of opposition, but the criticisms of the Government seem to have no more effect on it than water on the proverbial duck's back. It is to be supposed the criticisms of the Government's policy made by the members of the Diet are purely negative of some good, although it is quite understood the principal measures introduced by the Government are to be passed with very slight amendments. This year the Government's policy has come in for criticism from all sides and perhaps this may result in some legislative proposals being dropped. There is no evidence of any "crisis" in the

Government in Japan, however, are aware that the Government will win in the end on important measures of very little sacrifice. The light which centres round the Budget, the greater part of which has already been passed in Committee with a few minor alterations. Some other measures are promised, but whether they will be submitted to the Diet or passed as Imperial Ordinances does not appear. Among the most interesting of these is an Amendment of the Patent Law. Only vague hints have been given as to whether the amendments will consist of, or what will be their tendency, but it is intimated that the Government is considering the adoption of the principles followed in Germany and (late) in the United Kingdom, of only maintaining the validity of patent rights when the articles

on which the rights are granted are manufactured in the country. This would be a drastic measure which would greatly affect importers of foreign made articles for which there is not a large enough sale

to warrant wholesale manufacture in Japan under present circumstances. Small Japanese manufacturers would certainly step in in these cases. Two instances came to my notice only recently where Japanese manufacturers had faithfully copied

foreign patented articles, down to the last screw. In one case the Japanese manufacturer ingenuously invited the foreign importer of the article to come and see his factory. Whether his idea was to

induce the importer to purchase them or whether he wished merely to display them as a sample of Japanese workmanship is not known; but the matter ended in the importer's letter by the enterprise.

ing Japanese and confiscation of his stock of imitations. If the Patent Law is amended according to rumour it is to be expected that the number of imitators will be followed by an increase in litigation.

increase, followed by an increase in
migration. In how many cases it would pay
foreign patentees to manufacture their
goods in this country is exceedingly pro-
blematical.

What by some may be considered a storm in a tea cup has been raging at Kobe and Yokohama concerning some letters addressed to the *Japan Mail* over the initial "B," in which the foreign community of Kobe

was dealt with in no light manner. The personality of the writer naturally became a matter on which much curiosity was expressed. General opinion finally fixed upon the Rev. J. Ingram Bryan, chaplain of the Anglican Church at Kobe as the writer. Mr.

Bryan was questioned on the matter but refused, as he had a perfect right to do, to say anything on the matter. This, however, did not make things any better and the funds of the church, which is sup-

ported by public contributions, suffering under the imputation laid on the chaplain. The Church Committee again approached him, and succeeded in getting from him a statement denying the authorship of the

letters and especially the use of what was described as "the pseudonym 'B'." This was thought to settle the matter—until the next day when the whole Kobe community was thrown into

state of the wildest excitement by the announcement in the *Japan Chronicle* that the Rev. J. Ingram Bryan had used the initial "B," as it had refused a letter written by the reverend gentleman over

that initial, which letter had subsequently appeared in the *Japan Mail*. There the matter for the present rests. The foreign communities are divided into two camps—those who hold the Bryan theory and

those who do not. The bomb exploded by the *Chronicle* has for the time scattered those who deny the Bryan theory, but further developments may in turn scatter the Bryanites. Meanwhile the person

THE AMERICAN TARIFF.

A Washington telegram to the Manila Cablenews says:—There is a hard fight in sight on tariff revision which will tax a President Taft's influence and ability. His first message to Congress will treat

necessity at the same time of increasing the national revenues. The foreign commerce of the United States shrank last year 1 per cent., or about \$500,000, three-fifths of this being on the import side, and although

good times comparatively are on now compared with 1908, yet a generally much reduced tariff might radically injure the treasury balance.

The trusts and protected manufacturers

are marshalling their forces for the opening of the special session of Congress on March 15, and Washington is filled with thousands of agents and lobbyists.

The British Government has presented a pair of binoculars to Captain Kori, of the N.Y.K. steamer *Saikyo Maru*, in appreciation of the Captain's gallant rescue of two seamen from a British steamer which was

with an account in Chinese dated 1854
summer. The binoculars were presented
to the Captain through the Japanese
Government.

Flagship of Vice-Admiral Sir Hedworth Lambton, Commander-in-Chief.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Men.	H.P.	Captains.	Ports.
Kaiserin Elisabeth	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4000	—	—	Capt. Hornberg	Shanghai
Achéron	French armoured cruiser	1870	10	1900	Lieut. Bertrand	Saigon
Alcor	French cruiser	5480	22	6100	Capt. Deland	Saigon
Alouette	French river gunboat	506	6	400	Commander Badin	Saigon
Armand	French river gunboat	180	6	—	Lieut. d'Estienne	Onton
Arnauld	French cruiser	4310	16	83.0	Comdr. Rochas	Shanghai
Coronade	French gunboat	160	6	—	—	Saigon (Reserve)
Comete	French gunboat	570	6	500	Comdr. J. Gervais	Saigon
Désirée	French cruiser	645	10	1070	Lieut. de Linars	Hongkong
Entrepreneur +	French gunboat	11,243	26	13,500	Capt. Thibault	Hongkong
Euro	French gunboat	141	—	—	—	Saigon (Reserve)
Estragon	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Combet	Saigon
Franche	French destroyer	850	7	303	—	Saigon
Genl Riviere	French gunboat	900	8	908	—	Haiphong (Reserve)
Jaquin	French gunboat	500	—	—	—	Saigon (Reserve)
Lion	French sub-marine	—	—	—	—	Saigon
Lynx	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Morre	Saigon
Manche	French surveying ship	1635	10	9070	Comdr. Ragot de la Touche	Saigon
Mosque	French destroyer	507	6	300	Lieut. de Rochs Kerandron	Saigon
Oly	French gunboat	130	—	—	Lieut. de Maistreville	Upper Yangon
Palat	French torpedo-boat	363	7	300	Lieut. Pouch	Tongka
Protee	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Comdr. Mortend	Hongkong
Redoutable *	French battleship (reserve)	9437	8	6070	Lieut. Morris	Saigon
Sigee	French gunboat	1793	10	1700	Capt. Dronet	Saigon
Tchang	French destroyer	250	6	—	Lieut. Sériot	Saigon
Tikou	French torpedo-depot	—	—	—	—	Yantiao
Vahian	French torpedo-depot	—	—	—	—	Saigon (Reserve)
Veteran	French torpedo-depot	123	7	600	Lieut. Bihel	Cap St. Jacques
Vigilante	French gunboat	475	—	—	Lieut. Birell	St. Mary & Canton
Viper	French cruiser	—	—	—	—	Saigon (Reserve)
Arcona	German cruiser	—	—	—	Capt. von Hippel	Hongkong
Brumet	German flagship	10,660	36	14,000	Lieut. Wurmsh	Deutschsch
Die	German gunboat	340	10	1300	Comdr. Kistel	Chingkong
Furja	German gunboat	970	10	1300	Comdr. von Posadowsky-Wehner	Amoy
Leipzig	German cruiser	3260	—	—	Capt. Heuser	Singapore
Loche	German gunboat	901	10	1344	Comdr. Böhm	Shanghai
Niebo	German cruiser	2610	—	—	Capt. Langmark	Tientsin
S. 90	German torpedo-boat	280	—	—	Lieut. Jakbl	Tientsin
Tigee	German torpedo-boat	280	—	—	Lieut. Hesse	Tientsin
Tigee	German gunboat	901	10	1300	Comdr. Ackerman	Canton
Tinglan	German river gunboat	223	6	1300	Capt. Lieut. Fortch	Canton River
Vaterland	German river gunboat	223	8	500	Capt. Lieut. Tussall	Yangtze River
Vorwarts	German river gunboat	—	8	500	Lieut. Richter	Yangtze River
Pagla	Italian cruiser	2145	—	—	—	Chinwangto
Patria	Portuguese gunboat	700	—	—	Captain Jaime Affreze	Hongkong
Uto Lima	Portuguese gunboat	750	—	—	Comdr. Pedree	Macao
Barry	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Ensign David Lyons	Cavite
Belk	U. S. gunboat	607	10	208	Lieut. Guy Whitlock	Shanghai
Charleston	U. S. flagship	9710	10	450	Capt. H. E. Knapp	Hongkong
Chattanooga	U. S. cruiser	3300	25	4600	Comdr. Edward B. Wright	Canton
Chauncey	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. Frank McCrary	Cavite
Cleveland	U. S. cruiser	8373	19	7600	Comdr. L. S. Van Duzer	Hongkong
Colorado	U. S. cruiser	18,500	—	—	Capt. S. H. Shannon	Orinda
Concord	U. S. gunboat	1217	—	—	Comdr. E. H. Sears	Shanghai
Dale	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Comdr. G. V. Stewart	Cavite
Decatur	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Comdr. J. W. Nicols	Keelung
Denver	U. S. cruiser	3700	18	7600	Comdr. C. P. Parker	Hongkong
Destruction	U. S. cruiser	3100	25	5400	Comdr. Johnston	Hongkong
Holena	U. S. gunboat	1597	8	1800	Comdr. H. M. Hughes	Hongkong
Maryland	U. S. cruiser	10,660	6	3000	Capt. O. Thomas	Olongapo
Montauk	U. S. motor	40	—	—	Lieut. D. W. Todd	Olongapo
Miner	U. S. monitor	4000	—	—	Comdr. Nelson	Manila
Panther	U. S. gunboat	1200	—	—	Capt. A. Ward	Manila
Pennsylvania	U. S. cruiser	18,500	—	—	Comdr. H. P. Parrell	Yamaguchi
Quincy	U. S. gunboat	—	—	—	Comdr. E. E. Wright	Japan

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Admiral Richard Foy, Commanding the local defence of Indo-China.

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Co., Ltd., at Messrs Jardine, Matheson
Co.'s Office.
12.30 p.m.—Meeting of Union Sugar Re-
fining Co., Ltd., at Messrs Jardine,
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11 a.m.—Auction of Snow Drawn work-
ing, at Mr Geo. P. Lammer's Sales
Rooms.
3 p.m.—Auction of Buoys at City
Hall.
Noon—Hongkong Regatta.
9 p.m.—Boxing at City Hall.
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date subject to rent.MONDAY, March 22—
p.m.—B-ball Match (final) at Football
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Transfer Books of Sina-Borneo Co.,
Ltd., close from this date to 5th April
inclusive.
Goods per *Mongolia* undelivered at Noon
on this date subject to rent.
Goods per *Colombia* undelivered after this
date at Noon will be subject to rent
and landing charges.TUESDAY, March 23—
Goods per *Lithian* undelivered after
this date subject to rent.THURSDAY, March 25—
p.m.—Military Tactics on the Cricket
Ground.MONDAY, April 5—
Noon—Meeting of Sina-Borneo Co.,
Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 1909.

COMPENSATION.

Lord CREWE, representing the Home
authorities, has given his word that
Hongkong shall be compensated by the
British Parliament for any loss
which the Colony's revenues will
sustain in connection with the opium
repression policy which Great Britain
has recently thought fit to pursue.Sir JOHN ANDERSON, Governor of
Singapore, has suggested to the
Colonial Office that a suitable way to
provide compensation for the loss of
Opium revenue would be to remit the
Military Contribution now wrung from a
somewhat reluctant dependency. Lord
CREWE has not thought fit to express any
opinion on this suggestion, as perhaps was
only natural in view of the past history of
this very thorny question, but any fair-
minded man must acknowledge that the
idea which the veteran Governor of
Singapore puts forward has most
substantial reason in its base. The
mercantile communities of Hongkong
and Singapore are as a man regarding
the Military Contribution and many
have been the protests made in the
Legislative Councils of both Colonies
regarding the iniquitous levy. The
garrisons of both Hongkong and
Singapore, it goes without saying,
have been created for purely Imperial
purposes and therefore it would seem
but just that the Imperial
and not the local exchequer should bear
the cost. We know that it is a pet idea
of the Colonial Office, supported more
or less lukewarmly by the officials in
either colony, that the Military Con-
tribution should be regarded in the
light of a premium which we should
gladly pay for our safety. It is a
pretty idea, but utterly illogical.
Besides, putting the aspect of the case
aside for the moment, there is no ques-
tion that there would not be so much
objection to paying this alleged
premium if all other Colonies of Great
Britain were ruled in a similar
fashion, but they are not. Not one of the
colonies of South Africa, for instance,
puts up a cent in the way of a Military
Contribution though they have English
soldiers in all their prisons, and they
would, we imagine, boil over withindignation were the suggestion made
to them. But because Hongkong and
Singapore are Crown Colonies and the
Colonial Office is the paramount power
they have to submit to a species of
plunder that one unofficial member of
the Hongkong Legislative Council once
described as 'little short of highway
robbery.' We have called the Military
Contribution iniquitous. The epithet
is justified for owing to the nature of
its incidence the Contribution does not
rise or fall in accordance with the
Colony's income, but is always one-
fourth of our expenditure. Thus it
comes about to-day that although Hong-
kong has to face a big deficit yet
owing to the increase in our expendi-
tures, the Military Contribution is larger
this year than it was last.Sir JOHN ANDERSON's suggestion that
the Military Contribution be remitted
as a return for the loss of the Opium
revenue which the action of the
Home authorities has brought about
should receive the warmest support
of his own Colony. As for Hong-
kong a similar suggestion should
also be made and be strongly ad-
vocated by those bodies who are said
to have the ear of the authorities at
home. A fourth of our income goes
with the prohibition of Opium: there-
fore the Home Government which has
forced this condition of affairs upon us
should at once come to our aid by
easing us of the Military Contribution,
which is one-fourth of our expenditures.
Compensation on those terms would
not only be satisfactory, it would be
equitable and worthy of the ideals
dictated by the higher morality which
Great Britain is so anxious to live up
to in the opening decade of the
twentieth century.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

To-day is St. Patrick's day, the patron
saint of Ireland.The accompaniment of the Queen of
Spain is expected in May next.The customary programme of music will
not be rendered to-morrow by the 13th
Rajputs Band at the King Edward Hotel.A number of taxicabs are being shipped
from England to Sydney, Australia,
where they are expected to start running
in about two months time.A sum of £25,000 has been allocated
by the French authorities for the new
Commercial Attaché in the Far East, who
will have his headquarters either in Peking
or Tokyo.At the Y.M.C.A., on Thursday evening
a meeting in the interests of the reli-
gious side of the Association's work is to
be held when Mr C. S. Cooper, one of the
international secretaries of the Y.M.C.A.,
will give a short address. The public are
cordially invited to attend. The meeting
will commence at 9 p.m.It is stated that Mr A. M. Chalmers,
British Consul at Tamsui, Formosa, has
been appointed Consul at Nagasaki, due
to the departure for home of Consul F. W.
Playfair owing to ill-health. The post
vacated by Mr Chalmers has been taken up
by Mr A. R. Firth, Vice-Consul at Osaka,
who is succeeded by Mr W. B. Cunningham,
Assistant in the British Consulate at
Yokohama.Owing to the cost of printing paper
many American newspapers are increasing
the price of their issues. Fears of a paper
famine, owing to the approaching cutting
out of the North American forests, have
led to experiments being made with other
substances to ascertain whether paper could
be profitably manufactured from them.
Cotton, maize, and fax stalks have all been
tried. Cotton-stalk pulp has proved
the most promising. Its paper, however,
is not quite stout enough.Mr Roosevelt has announced that he will
embark at New York on his way to Africa
on March 30. He has expressed his desire
that he shall not be described as "ex-
President" or "Colonel." Professor Shaw,
of the Chicago University, who is closely
acquainted with Africa, declares that if Mr
Roosevelt carries out his projected tour he
will never return alive, being certain to
succumb to fever. Mr Roosevelt, however,
is in the best of spirits and appears un-
feignedly glad to have been relieved of the
 cares of office. He still continues to be
pestered by offers of service from all sorts
of people anxious to accompany him to
Africa, but apparently his only companion
will be his son Kermit.CHAMBERLAIN'S COLIC, CHOLERA
AND DIARRHOEA REMEDY.THIS medicine is well known for its
prompt cure of bowel complaint,
which is always more or less prevalent at
this season of the year. An attack of
diarrhoea is liable to come on without
warning, and it is better to have Chamberlain's
Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy
kept in the house all the year. A severe
illness may be averted. For sale by all
alien and druggists.

NEW PUISNE JUDGE.

Appointment of Mr Justice
Gompertz.Official notification has been received of
the appointment of Mr Justice Gompertz
as Puisne Judge in succession to Mr Justice
Wise, who, as is well known, has resigned
from the service of the Colony. Mr Justice
Gompertz has for the past twelve months
been Acting Puisne Judge and his uniform
courtesy as well as his quick and ready
appreciation of difficult points of law have
made him a favourite among those whose
duty it is to practice at the Court. He has
a happy knack of getting at the pith of a
case and in this way economises time with-
out endangering the ends of justice. We
congratulate him on his new appointment
and feel sure he will discharge the duties
incumbent on the office with all round
dignity and fairness to all concerned.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The recent rains in Pahang surpass
anything that can be recalled by the oldest
inhabitant of the eastern State, says the
Malay Mail. It has also been pretty damp
in Singapore lately.From Messrs Reiss and Co. we have
received the seventeenth report of the New
Zealand Insurance Company, Ltd., showing
how very successful its working has been
during the past twelve months.Four months' imprisonment was the
sentence passed upon Dr. Gomes, the
leader of the Manila Labourites, for
threatening a foreign firm. It is expected
that he will use every legal dodge to avoid
serving the sentence.At Messina a man has been rescued
alive, after being buried for 37 days. He
was imprisoned in the ruins of a con-
fectioner's shop, and was able to feed on
sweetmeats, and drink liquors.The health crusade initiated in New
York has resulted in a large number of men
being arrested for violation of the Sanita-
tion Law. The other day no fewer than
180 were fined for spitting in the public
subways.Paris has spoken. Breadth instead of
attention is to be the note of the new
fashions, and stout ladies who, owing to
their inability to wear Directorate costumes
have been hiding in forests and on
inaccessible mountains, are now flocking
back to town.—Punch.The football dispute which arose be-
tween England and Scotland owing to the
payment of 3s a day to members of the
Australian and New Zealand Rugby Union
teams has been settled. Scotland agrees
that it was not entitled to secede from
the match with England, and the match will
be played on March 20.The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice
Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals has
acknowledged with thanks the following
donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—
Schmidt and Co. \$ 25
J. Wheeler 10
F. Fungau 10
P. K. Kwok and Co. 5
Ah Ying and Co. 3It is reported from Peking that the
troops in the Three Eastern Provinces have
not been paid for several months. The
Government has also to find large sums
for the establishment of the Imperial
Guard, the reconstruction of the Navy,
the building of railways, the interest on
foreign loans, and other purposes. There
is consequently much doubt as to how the
Government can meet its engagements.A correspondent of the *North China
Daily News* in Homan vouches for the
accuracy of the following incident:—A
well-to-do Chinese had the misfortune to
swallow the gold filling of his newly-stom-
ped tooth, and was considerably alarmed,
as he was convinced that the gold would
poison him. One of China's new scholars
informed him that sulphuric acid dissolved
gold and recommended him to take some.
He did. It is not stated whether the
scholar attended the funeral.An interesting experience in wireless
telegraphy which fell to the lot of the
captain of the North German Lloyd liner
Kronprinzessin Cecilie is reported. On
the voyage of his steamer from Bremen to
Southampton, when off the North Hinder
light, on the night of Feb. 2, the ship was
in communication by Marconi with the
Ouard steamship Caronia, which was then
in the Mediterranean, the distance being
about 837 miles, and the position of the
Caronia about 20 miles south of Capri.The immediate effect of the conclusion
of the Anglo-Siam treaty, we learn
from a Straits paper, is the addition to
the Federated Malay States of an area of
about 15,000 square miles, or more than
half the present area of the F.M.S. The
territory in question contains a large
Mahomedan population, amongst whom
are a considerable number of British sub-
jects, according to that of the Federated
Malay States themselves. The Treaty
strengthens the position of Great Britain
in the Malay Peninsula and will effectively
prevent the possibility of the establish-
ment of any important foreign interest
which might lead to disputes in depen-
dence of Siam which are remote from effective
control from Bangkok.FUELING BETTER THAN—Three peo-
ple who began taking Haines' Wine
of Cod Liver Oil last week are feeling
better today. Don't you start with it?

THE AMERICAN SQUADRON.

The dance given at Government House
on Tuesday evening, following the dinner
to Rear-Admiral Harber and the officers
of the American Squadron, proved a most
delightful function. Some two hundred
and fifty invitations were issued and most
were accepted. Music was supplied by the
excellent Band of the Buffs.

"MARINE DELICACIES."

During the public examination of a
Chinese bankrupt at the Supreme Court
to-day, debtor said he dealt in "marine
delicacies."The Official Receiver—What are they?
Debtor—Shark fins.

THE PRATAS.

The Canton newspapers are greatly
worked up over the Pratas affair. Full
reports are published regarding the hoisting
of the Japanese flag, the building of huts,
the laying down of a railway for the better
working of the guano deposits, etc., while
sketches are published, from photographs
taken on the spot, of the post which the
Japanese adventurers have erected on which
is set forth the statement that the islands
were discovered by Japan. Altogether
much indignation is displayed at Canton
and public feeling is being worked up.
But again we say, it is singular that the
Chinese authorities of Kwantung have been
so long ignorant of what has been happen-
ing at the Pratas. The next step in this
matter will be watched with interest.

AN INTERESTING EVENT.

Baby Girl Born on Nikko Maru.

The N. Y. K. Australian Liner Nikko
Maru, which arrived here this morning,
reports that on the eve of leaving Nagasaki
a female child was born on board to Mr
and Mrs Christopher Hughes, passengers
destined to Singapore, and the child was
fittedly named Elizabeth Nikko Hughes.
Both mother and child are doing well,
and the passengers and officers of the ship have
subscribed to present Miss Nikko with a
silver mug, knife, fork and napkin ring in
token of her first start in this world on
board the Nikko Maru under the most
favourable auspices.

SEQUEL TO COTTON THREAD

TRANSACTIONS.

The case in which the Fao Kat Cheong
Firm brought an action against Messrs
Schmidt and Co., for the return of \$124.57,
the cost of one case of cotton thread which
the defendants were alleged to have failed
to deliver again came before the Puisne
Judge (Mr Justice Gompertz) in the court
of Summary Jurisdiction this afternoon.Mr Bailey was for defendants and Mr
Otto Kong Sing for plaintiffs.The evidence was to the effect that a
contract was entered into for 35 cases of
cotton thread, of which 34 cases were
delivered. They were all paid for, and one
case was held as security in regard to other
overdue accounts.His Lordship said it seemed as though
the defendants said the property in the
cases was plaintiff's, but possession would
be retained as security.Mr Otto Kong Sing said possession was
certainly with his clients.His Lordship—Then you cannot claim
for money. You can only claim for goods.
Mr Otto Kong Sing in that case I
would set for an amendment of the writ
to return to us the goods or their equivalent
in money.His Lordship—But you have refused to
take the goods; that's what defendants
want you to do.Mr Otto Kong Sing—We could not be
expected to pay for the cotton after it
had been there for three years and been
damaged.His Lordship—If they were your goods,
why not?After further discussion his Lordship
said plaintiffs had another course of action,
but on that claim they would be non-suited
with costs.

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cold is almost certain to end in
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HONGKONG UNIVERSITY

SCHEME.

SIR ROBERT HART'S

APPROVAL.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, March 17.

At a big meeting held at the Mansion
House, which was attended by a large
number of notabilities and presided over
by the Lord Mayor of London,
resolutions were passed in favour of a
national movement to support and
extend medical missions in China.Sir Robert Hart spoke sympathetically
of the Hongkong University scheme and
on the proposal to establish inter-
national colleges.Dr Campbell Gibson, Missionary of
the Presbyterian Church of England, at
Swatow; the Rev J. Scott Lidgett,
President of the Wesleyan Conference;
and the Hon Whitlaw Reid, American
Ambassador, also spoke, the last named
complimenting England on supporting
opium repression at the invitation of
America.THE SHANGHAI-HANG-
CHOW RAILWAY.QUESTION IN THE HOUSE OF
COMMONS.

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London, March 16.

In the House of Commons Mr McKin-
non Wood, Parliamentary Secretary to
the Foreign Office, replying to a question
by Mr J. B. Lonsdale, M.P. for Armagh,
stated that it seems clear that the terms
of the Shanghai-Hangchow-Ningpo rail-
way are not being observed and that
Sir John Jordan, H.M.B.'s Minister at
Peking, had been authorised to make
formal representations to the Chinese
Government on the matter.Negotiations for a loan in respect of
the Canton-Hankow railway are pro-
ceeding.

OPIUM IN MALAYA.

ATTITUDE OF THE HOME
GOVERNMENT.

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London, March 16.

Col. Sedley, Under Secretary of State
for the Colonies, in reply to Mr Bees,
M.P., stated that the Government would
not attempt to reach a final conclusion as
regards the opium traffic in the Malay
Peninsula until they had consulted the
Governor and considered the report of
the Shanghai Commission.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Sir Claude MacDonald, at the British
Association dinner given at Yokohama in
honour of Mr J. H. Scott, claimed Sir
Thomas Jackson as a brother Highlander.
Shades of Erin, what next?Monsieur Berthelot, a relative of the
distinguished chemist bearing the same
name, has been appointed French Minister
at Peking. Monsieur Boissieux, the pre-
sent Chargé d'Affaires, will return to Paris,
where he has been appointed Director of
the Asiatic Bureau in the Ministry for
Foreign Affairs.Major Charles Legge Hueston Robertson,
Eustace, D.S.O., of Montague House,
Wokingham, Berks, and of the King's
Royal Rifles, who saw service in China,
1891-92, in Manchuria, 1896, and in the
Boer war, and who died at Cairo on Oct. 4,
aged forty, a grandson of the fourth Earl
of Dartmouth, left estate valued at £3,458
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ARABIA 7000	Apr. 17	MARMOIRA 10000	May 29	June 5
DELTA 8000	May 15	INDIA 8000	June 15	June 18
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TJILARJAP	JAVA	Do.	SHANGHA	Do.
TJILAWONG	JAPAN	First half of April	JAVA	First half of April
TJIPANAS	JAVA	Do.	SHANGHA	Do.
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Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. STEAMER CALLEDONIAN. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex s.s. *Callonian* & *Melior* from HAYES ex s.s. *Melior* from DOBSON ex s.s. *Ville de Dunkerque*, in connection with the above Steamers, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, To-day, requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after MONDAY, the 22nd March, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 22nd March, or they will not be recognized. Damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 22nd March, at 5 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected. P. DE CHAMPMORIN, Agent.

Hongkong, March 15, 1909.

MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. THE STEAMSHIP LOTHIAN.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 23rd inst., will be subject to rent. All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 15th April, or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 23rd inst. at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, March 15, 1909.

FROM EUROPE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship AMERICA, Captain DERRAT, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before noon. Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns and for extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamers arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th inst., 1909 will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 19th March, 1909, at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected. HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, March 15, 1909.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. STEAMSHIP ORIZABA.

FROM SEATTLE, WASH.

The above steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading as soon as possible. Consignees of cargo will please take notice that before delivery can be made they must sign the above Bond, which is lying at the Office of the Undersigned and pay a Deposit of six pence (6d.) per Quarter sack of Flour for contribution to General Average. Delivery Orders will then be granted in exchange for Bills of Lading against which Consignees are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever. DODWELL & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, March 13, 1909.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE. NORDDEUTSCHER LOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship PRINZ LUDWIG, having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon and West Point, Godowns whence delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 15th of March, 1909, will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th of March, at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LOYD, MELBOURNE & CO.

Hongkong, March 15, 1909.

SOUTH MANCHURIA RAILWAY. SHORTEST AND QUICKEST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA & EUROPE, via DAIREN (DALNY).

MAIN RAILWAY LINE—Semi-Weekly Express Service from Dairen to Changhai (Kwangchow), in connection with Siberian Express trains at Harbin, by a train composed of excellently equipped Sleeping and Dining Cars expressly built for the Company by the Pullman Car Co.

BRANCH RAILWAY LINES: RYONG LIA—For Ryong (Port Arthur), 2 hours from Dairen. YINCHOW LIA—For Yinchow (Newchwang), 3 hours from Tashichiao Junction. APURCH-HIEN LIA—A light railway from Mukden to Antung-Hsien connecting with the Korean Railway.

STEAMSHIP SERVICE—Regular Direct Weekly Service by the fast Passenger Steamer "KOSU MARU" (3,877 tons) sailing from Dairen every Monday and from Shanghai every Friday, in connection with the South Manchuria Express and Trans-Siberian Route (International Train de Lure).

RAILWAY HOTELS—YAMATO HOTEL (Tel. Ad.: "Yamato"). At DAIREN (Dairen), PORT ARTHUR and CHANGCHUN (Kwangchow), all managed by the Company and provided with every convenience, luxury, and comfort.

TICKET AGENTS in the FAR EAST & EUROPE: Messrs. THOS. COOK & SON, and the INTERNATIONAL SLEEPING CAR and EXPRESS TRAINS CO.

FLUSHING COLLIERY—Steam Coal is supplied at Dairen, Yinchow, &c. Fresh stock always on hand.

SOUTH MANCHURIA RAILWAY COMPANY, DAIREN. Tel. Ad.: "MANCHU". Office: A.R.P., 2nd Fl., 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th.

Notice to Consignees. PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship MONGOLIA.

The above-named vessel, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside. Cargo impeding discharge of the vessel will be discharged at once, at Consignees' risk and expense. Cargo remaining on board after THURSDAY, March 18th, 1909 will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. No Fire Insurance will be effected. All cargo undelivered MONDAY, 22nd March, 1909, at Noon, will be subject to rent. All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's Godowns on SATURDAY, March 20th, 1909, at 10 a.m. S. SILVERSTONE, Agent.

Hongkong, March 15, 1909.

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED. STEAMSHIP-EXETER.

FROM SEATTLE, VICTORIA, VANCOUVER, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOI AND MANILA.

The above Steamers having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take delivery of their Goods from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever. DODWELL & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, March 15, 1909.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued from the Hongkong Observatory:—
On the 17th at 11.30 a.m.—The barometer has fallen quickly in Japan, and risen considerably over Central China and the S.E. coast.
The depression lying near the Northern Loochun yesterday, has progressed Eastwards and is situated this morning between the S.E. coast of Japan and the Bonins.

The area of high pressure remains over the continent to the North of the Yangtze. Gradients are rather steep along the China coast, and strong N. and N.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea. Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.17 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow:—

- 1.—Hongkong and Neighborhood: N.E. winds, strong; dull, some rain.
- 2.—Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, strong to a gale.
- 3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Loochun: Same as No. 1.
- 4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 2.

To-day's Advertisements

THEATRE ROYAL

BOXING CONTEST

SATURDAY, March 20th.

MAIN EVENT:

16 ROUNDS.

GARLICK, King Alfred. } HENNELMANN, }
AND 6 PRELIMINARIES. } C.S.S. Charleston, }

R. H. WHITTAKER, }
Manager. }

LATE TRAMS.

Booking, ROBINSON PIANO CO., LTD.

Hongkong, March 17, 1909. 379

FRENCH LESSONS.

WANTED immediately Conversational

LE-SONS IN FRENCH.

Apply "BOX X,"

Care of "CHINA MAIL" Office,

Hongkong, March 17, 1909. 381

NOTICE.

BY Mutual Agreement between the

Underigned, the business heretofore

carried on by them at Canton under the

style of Lanco & Co. has been deter-

mined; all Assets thereof will be realized

and all Debts paid by the Undersigned O.

B. THOMAS, who in future carry on

business as an ARCHITECT and CIVIL

ENGINEER at Canton, aforesaid, under

his own name.

LEITCH & ORANGE.

C. B. THOMAS.

Hongkong, March 17, 1909. 380

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY

MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

of the above Company will be held at

the COMPANY'S OFFICE, St. George's Building,

at NOON, on MONDAY, the 5th April,

1909, to receive a Statement of Accounts

for the 31st December, 1908, and the Report

of the General Manager and Consulting

Committee and to elect a Consulting Com-

mittee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-

pany will be CLOSED from the 2nd day

of March to the 5th day of April, both days

inclusive.

J. WHITELY,

General Manager.

Hongkong, March 17, 1909. 382

THE DAIRY FARM CO., Limited.

Reduction in Prices

of Australian Butter

From 1st February, 1909.

* Buttercup Brand 73 cts. per lb.

* Dairymaid Brand 70 cts. "

* Dairy Brand 60 cts. "

Sold in 1 and 2 lbs. suits to suit customers.

Hongkong, May 2, 1908. 96

NOTICE.

M. Gains,

MILLNER.

HAS REMOVED HER

BUSINESS TO

No. 2, Robinson Rd., KOWLOON.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS.

At Kowloon: Talbot, Venus, F.M.S.

Other Hoibing, Burge, Vigilant, Patria,

Consolidation, Alena, Tjiboda,

Aberdeen, Kowloon.

BRITISH SOLDIER
INVALIDED HOME

Suffered Torments with Skin Disease
Contracted in India—Was Covered
with Large Sores—Life in India
Affected Liver—Found No Relief
in Several Hospitals but

CUTICURA REMEDIES
BROUGHT HIM HEALTH

"While I was stationed at Bellary in India, with my regiment from 1896 to 1901, I contracted 'malaria cachexia,' which brought on a complete skin disease. I suffered frequently with acute and chronic eruptions, which covered my chest and back with large sores and ulcers. My face was also disfigured with these sores or ulcers. I was admitted into hospital, but the treatment I received did not seem to give me any relief, as I became very emaciated and had no energy for anything, and my weakness was dreadful. Early in 1901 I was invalided to England for a change. On arrival I was sent to several hospitals, but still no signs of recovery. After some months of treatment I was finally invalided out of the service as medically unfit through my sickness."

"I then thought I would try the Cuticura Remedies, chiefly on the recommendation of my wife, who had great faith in them, having used the same in India for eruptions of the face, red pimples, and blackheads. After I had used four boxes, which included Cuticura Soap, Cuticura Ointment, and Cuticura Resolvent Pills, I began to see and feel a great improvement. I felt stronger, my appetite improved, I felt stronger, and the sores and pimples began to disappear. I continued to use the treatment for about nine months. Finally I was quite a different man. I lost the yellow tinge my skin had, and the sores and pimples quite disappeared, and I became strong again and able to go to business daily, which I have done ever since. I thoroughly recommend Cuticura Remedies for humors of the blood and eruptions of the skin. Thomas Reader, late Sergeant in a British Infantry Regiment, 143 Tottenham St., Tooting, S.W., Aug. 2, 1906."

Correspondence for EUROPE via SIBERIA is forwarded from HONGKONG by all vessels sailing for SHANGHAI.

Approximate times of closing mails at Shanghai via S. S. Co. and S. S. Co.

18th March at 8.15 p.m.

25th March at 11.45 a.m.

1st April at 8.15 p.m.

The Public are informed that the Cash on Delivery service from the United Kingdom to Hongkong commenced on the 1st of February 1909.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Mails will close:—

For HONGKONG:—

For SAMARANG & SOERABAYA:—

For SINGAPORE, COLOMBO & BOMBAY:—

For SHANGHAI:—

For MOI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, SEATTLE & TACOMA:—

For MACAO:—

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA:—

For MANILA:—

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SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

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